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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant(s): | Richard L. Mueller |) |
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| Application No. | 10/602,171 |) |
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| Filed: | June 23, 2003 |) Group Art Unit: 3736 |
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| For: | CYTOLGY BRUSH WITH RELEASEABLE END PORTION |) |
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| Examiner: | Sadaf A. Toor |) Attorney Docket No. <u>ACU-126</u> |

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER RULE 111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 29 November 2004 on the above-identified application. Reconsideration of this application is requested. Kindly amend this application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this document. Two Replacement Sheets are attached.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this document.